

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 236) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 236

Whereas the United States and the United Kingdom have become beacons of freedom and democracy around the world;

Whereas the history of the people of Africa is inextricably tied to the histories of the United States and the United Kingdom;

Whereas, for centuries, millions of people from Africa and their descendants were enslaved in the United States and the territories of the British Empire;

Whereas the slave trade spanned many regions of the world, including Africa, the Caribbean, the United States, and territories of the British Empire;

Whereas the people of Africa forced into slavery were dehumanized, humiliated, abused, and often separated from their families to be sold;

Whereas the institution of slavery, predicated upon racist beliefs, infected and corrupted the social fabrics of the United States and the United Kingdom;

Whereas the Underground Railroad embodied courage, hospitality, and fortitude, and served as an impetus for the abolition of slavery;

Whereas the Underground Railroad provided a means of escape from slavery by incorporating a network of abolitionists, secret routes, and safe houses throughout the United States and the territories of the British Empire;

Whereas the efforts of Harriet Tubman and like-minded abolitionists in the Underground Railroad helped tens of thousands of slaves escape to freedom during the early 19th century;

Whereas Harriet Tubman demonstrated her fearless devotion to liberty during her service as a conductor on the Underground Railroad and was responsible for leading fugitive slaves through the countryside to safe houses;

Whereas Harriet Tubman became known as "Moses" among slaves and abolitionists because her estimated 19 trips in the decade following her emancipation in 1849 to States that permitted slavery led to the liberation of approximately 300 slaves;

Whereas the Fugitive Slave Law of 1850 jeopardized the safety of escaped slaves in the United States;

Whereas the establishment of Underground Railroad safe houses in Canada, a territory of the British Empire, provided a safe haven for escaped slaves;

Whereas the abolition of slavery in the British Empire on August 1, 1834, established a chief terminal for the Underground Railroad and laid the foundation for the eventual abolition of slavery in the United States;

Whereas the Salem Chapel British Methodist Episcopal Church in St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada, served as an important center of abolitionist activity and served as the final destination for many escaped slaves;

Whereas many freed slaves became members of Salem Chapel British Methodist Episcopal Church and settled in the community; and

Whereas the abolition of slavery in the British Empire influenced the United States by setting the precedent that the dehumanizing practice of slavery would not, and could not, be tolerated if a Nation is to conform with the fundamental tenets of democracy and equality for all people: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the fundamental importance of the abolition of slavery in the British Empire in the history of the United States and Canada; and

(2) celebrates the 175th anniversary of the abolition of slavery in the British Empire on August 1, 1834.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 3435

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I understand that H.R. 3435 has been received from the House and is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title for the first time.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3435) making supplemental appropriations for Fiscal Year 2009 for the Consumer Assistance to Recycle and Save Program.

Mr. DODD. I ask for its second reading and object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The bill will have its second reading on the next legislative day.

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Republican leader, pursuant to Public Law 111-25, announces the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission for the life of the commission: the Honorable ROBERT BENNETT of Utah.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2009

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, August 4; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate resume consideration of Calendar No. 105, H.R. 2997, the Agriculture appropriations bill, with the time until 10:30 equally divided and controlled between the managers and Senator McCain or their designees; further, I ask that the filing deadline for second-degree amendments be 10:15 a.m. tomorrow.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, under the previous order, at approximately 10:30 a.m., the Senate will proceed to a series of two rollcall votes. Upon the completion of the second vote, the Senate will recess until 2:15 p.m. for the weekly caucus luncheons.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the

Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 8:50 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, August 4, 2009, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

ANNE M. NORTUP, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE A COMMISSIONER OF THE OF THE CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF SEVEN YEARS FROM OCTOBER 27, 2004, VICE SAUNDRA BROWN ARMSTRONG, RESIGNED.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

DANIEL I. WERFEL, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE CONTROLLER, OFFICE OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, VICE LINDA MORRISON COMBS, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TERRY A. YONKERS, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, VICE WILLIAM ANDERSON, RESIGNED.

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

JOHN A. BLANKENBAKER
JOSE R. BURGOS
JEFFREY M. CARR
ROGER D. COTTON
JENNIFER L. CURRY
JOHN D. CUSHMAN
JOSEPH E. CZARNIK
MANUEL T. DEGUZMAN
RONNIE F. DIX
CHARLES D. DONNELL
ALLAN E. FEY
WILLIAM R. FLORIG
FREDRICK A. FRANCIS
IRENE V. GLAESER
MAE M. GOLDMANN
DAVID W. HARGRAVE
CARYN S. HEARD
RUSSELL A. HENDERSON
JANICE HIGUERA
JOSEPH L. INGIGNOLI
GARY B. JAMES
KEITH S. JAMINET
ROBERT D. JOHNSON
CAROLYN F. KLEINER
TROY D. KOK
LARRY D. MCCOLPIN
GEORGE P. MCDONNELL
ROBERT G. MICHNOWICZ
STEVEN W. MOSS
ROBERT W. NEIBERGER
ROBERT S. ORESKOVIC
THOMAS H. RAHE
MICHAEL J. RECENIELLO
DEBORAH A. RICHARDSON
MICHAEL G. SCHELLINGER
KENNETH W. SCOTT
JAMES L. SEDLAK
DEBRA A. SINNOTT
NATHAN J. STORCK
AARON T. WALTER
JACK A. WAYMAN, JR.
DONALD E. WILLIAMS
ROBERT L. YATES
ROBERT J. YOUNG
STEPHEN E. ZARBO
VIRGINIA R. ZOLLER

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To be colonel

WILLIAM L. ABERNATHY, JR.
DORIS J. ACEVEDOSELPA
CHARLES E. ADAMS
ALBERT J. ADKINSON
SUZANNE D. ADKINSON
JAMES W. AINSWORTH, JR.
OSCAR R. ALBJANDRO
JORGE ARIZMENDI, JR.
WILLIAM T. ARRUDA, JR.
RONALD M. BAILEY
JAMES L. BAKER
ERIC W. BARR
TED R. BATES
QUINTIN A. BATTLES
BARRY K. BEACH
STEVEN E. BEACH
STEPHEN J. BENTLEY
KAREN A. BERRY
JAMES B. BISHOP
ESTUS T. BLAIR III
JOHN C. BOYD
JOHN M. BOZARD
CHRISTOPHER L. BRADY